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Mrs. Tinkham named Assistant to the Director; Mr. Gallagher to head electronic data processing

Mr. Richard E. Lee has announced the appointment of Mrs. Priscilla Tinkham as his Assistant for Information Systems Planning. In this new position as Assistant to the Director, Mrs. Tinkham will advise administration on matters relating to the further development of the hospital's electronic data processing system. In addition, she will be responsible for electronic data processing long range planning, interface with user departments in the areas of systems design and education, and develop and maintain a comprehensive management information system.

Mrs. Tinkham has been manager of systems and planning since 1967, supervising all data processing operations, such as payroll, accounts payable, inpatient billing, statistical reporting and general stores inventory. Replacing her as manager of the department is Mr. Eugene F. Gallagher.

In 1953 Mrs. Tinkham joined the Deaconess as secretary to Miss Ruth A. Pendleton, who was then Director of Surgical Services. She then established and ran the Print Room. After a leave of absence during which her daughter Andrea was born (Andrea is now a student at Colby College in New Hampshire), Mrs. Tinkham returned to the Deaconess to become assistant purchasing agent. In 1964 she was appointed systems analyst and data processing supervisor.

Priscilla Tinkham

A graduate of Westbrook Junior College in Maine, Mrs. Tinkham served as a public librarian and as head of the membership record department for the American Mathematical Association before joining the hospital.

Mrs. Tinkham and her husband Howard, vice president of the James F. Kemper Insurance Agency, live in Needham.

Mr. Eugene F. Gallagher comes to the Deaconess with over 17 years experience in the management and design of electronic data processing systems at Boston's Beth Israel Hospital, the STP Corporation in Chicago and Fort Lauderdale, and Strasenburgh Labs and Star Supermarkets, Inc., in Rochester. While in Rochester, he was also the Executive Director of Chart, Inc., the first shared data processing center for hospitals using telecommunications, and the Director of Computer Services at Blue Cross.

Mr. Gallagher now lives in Medfield with his wife Roxane and their three children, Kevin, 20, Terrie, 17, and Kathy, 15.

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Ambulatory Rehabilitation Center opens

The Deaconess can be proud of another "first", the establishment of a community rehabilitation center for patients who are going through the strains of battling cancer. Therapies used to treat cancer often create functional limitations of their own so that a patient's work, family life, and daily routine are affected. The Ambulatory Rehabilitation Center, located on the first floor of the Cancer Research Institute, was created in October to help the cancer patient be as fully functional as his or her physical condition permits. The Center came about through the joint efforts of the Ambulatory Service Department, the Cancer Committee, the Cancer Research Institute, the Radiation Theraphy Department, the Office of Grants and Contracts, the Stoma Clinic, and Administration.

The concept of an ambulatory rehabilitation service evolved from the hospital's seven-year experience with the Stoma Clinic, where it was learned that comprehensive rehabilitation can be delivered on an out-patient basis by an appropriate team of health care professionals. This concept is especially timely with the trend throughout the country to reduce the length of hospital stay.

Patients are referred to the Center by their personal physicians. Services are not limited to Deaconess patients.

The Center, which sees only ambulatory patients, is not an oncologic

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Dr. Priscilla White holds a plaque given to her by NEDH Executive Vice President R. D. Lowry, which commemorates her 50 years at the Deaconess.

Dr. Priscilla White celebrates 50 years in medicine

It was a celebration, not a retirement. On December 5 at the Harvard Club, Dr. Priscilla White celebrated 50 years of medical practice at New England Deaconess Hospital and the Joslin Diabetes Foundation. Over 400 people, former patients, colleagues, and friends, joined in the festivities. Each of these persons' lives had, in one way or another, been touched by Dr. Priscilla White.

Dr. White, born in Boston 74 years ago, grew up in a time when it was expected that she would follow in the footsteps of her mother, not those of her father and brother, both physicians. After graduation from Radcliffe College as a liberal arts major and an honorary Phi Beta Kappa, she entered Tufts University Medical School. The other prestigious medical schools, including Harvard, did not accept women at the time. When she graduated from Tufts in 1923, she ranked third in her class.

While in medical school Dr. White began working on basal metabolism with Dr. Frank Lahey at his clinic. Her dedication to her work — she was at the Lahey Clinic by 5 a.m. every day — caught the attention of Dr. Elliot P. Joslin. She was persuaded to join the practice of Dr. Joslin and the staff of the New England Deaconess Hospital in 1924.

"Before long, Dr. Joslin had trained me to teach Harvard medical students. He allowed me to advance in my field. He included me in lectures and all phases of his work . . . " said Dr. White.

Dr. White began to specialize in the treatment of juvenile diabetes and diabetic pregnant women. She has treated and studied the majority of the 10,000 patients with juvenile diabetes who have come to the clinic in half a century.

She founded the Youth Committee and the Clara Barton Birthplace Camp for Diabetic Girls in Oxford, developed a successful treatment for pregnancy in diabetic women, and has been involved in research in juvenile diabetes and diabetes in pregnant women. Dr. White has won the Banting Medal, the highest scientific recognition the American Diabetes Association can confer.

Her career began in the pre-insulin era, when treatment of diabetes was basically a near-starvation diet. She has seen treatment improve through the use of insulin and the current research into making insulin-producing Beta-cells in a test tube.

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5 volunteers donate 1000 hours to NEDH

The print room. The gift shop. The pharmacy. The thrift shop. Diversional therapy. What could departments as varied as these have in common? Volunteers. The five volunteers who work in these areas are unique in that each of them has recently donated 1000 hours of their time to the New England Deaconess Hospital.

Mrs. Mary Funk came to the Deaconess in 1969 because "one of the women in my church volunteered at the Deaconess and I became interested." She started her volunteer career in the coffee shop and now can be seen either at the gift shop or the print room.

The enthusiasm this attractive and lively woman has for her job and for the people she works with is more than reciprocated. When she enters the print room Ann Downs, the secretary there, often greets her with warm hugs. "A super all-round person – that's Mrs. Funk," describes Ann.

Mrs. Funk commutes from Readville, where she and her husband Edward, foreman of a dental equipment and supply company, live. When she is not selling items in the gift shop or collating in the print room, Mrs. Funk bowls, roller skates, and is active in church activities, such as the choir. As active as she is, Mrs. Funk still finds the time to volunteer.

It seems it is always the busy person who does the most. Regina Hurley is a vivacious 16-year-old junior at Brookline High School. She is interested in medicine and law, and has balanced these interests by taking a medical careers program at school and working as the precinct chairman in Congressman Robert Drinan's recent campaign for reelection. For the past two years she has volunteered in the Deaconess pharmacy.

"I didn't know anything about a hospital, but I was eager to volunteer," said Regina. She chose the Deaconess because both her mother and aunt had been patients here and were very impressed with the quality of care they received.

Mrs. Irma Kellner, director of volunteers, placed her in the pharmacy because she knew she was interested in medicine.

As her supervisor, Pharmacist Walter Wolonsewich worked closely with Regina and praised her as "an asset in bringing stat drugs around. We really needed her on weekends when there were fewer people working."

Regina adds, "I helped other people by relieving them of their 'busy' work. I packaged syringes and medications and brought the I.V. bottles to the floors."

Unlike most volunteers who join already established departments, Mrs. Clare Gray helped to organize her own department to coincide with her special interests and talents. With the help of Mrs. Isabel Bailey and Mrs. Evelyn Dempsey, she developed the department of diversional therapy.

Mrs. Gray first volunteered 17 years ago, and since her husband, Dr. Basil C. Gray, was a dermatologist on the staff of the Deaconess, it was only natural that she should choose this hospital.

Mrs. Gray, Mrs. Bailey, and Mrs. Dempsey divided among themselves the tasks of buying supples, bookkeeping, and staffing. Now there are eight steady volunteers in the department who cover the entire hospital alongside a cart of arts and crafts supplies.

"Diversional therapy was started to bring diversion and inspiration to patients, to occupy their minds, hands and hearts," said Mrs. Gray.

Since publication of the **PULSE,** Mrs. Gray left the Deaconess and her home in Wayland to live in Appalachia. Dr. Gray is returning to general medicine to work in a mobile medical unit with the mountain people. "I'll be taking some nurses aides courses and I may be my husband's Girl Friday. I was a teacher and maybe I'll be one again." Mrs. Gray is approaching this experience as she did her work as a volunteer – with compassion and enthusiasm.

Enthusiasm can always be found in the thrift shop where Mrs. Bonnie Griswold and Mrs. Patricia Stevenson work on Tuesdays.

Mrs. Stevenson became involved in the thrift shop in 1959 because her sister, Mrs. St. John Morgan, had been chairman of the thrift shop and had been a volunteer for many years. Her other sister, Miss Phyllis Bergen, also had been a thrift shop volunteer.

Mrs. Stevenson ended a fulltime job as an administrative assistant at a social agency for children to volunteer. Prior to that position she had taught high school in Kentucky, Iowa, and Connecticut.

When not at the Deaconess she spends her time reading, listening to music, hiking, or stamp collecting at home in Boston, where she lives with her husband Robert, recently retired from a position at a bank.

Mrs. Bonnie Griswold was asked by a friend in 1968 to volunteer and she has been at the thrift shop ever since.

"I had experience with this kind of work. Twenty years ago a group of us began what was known as the 'outgrown shop' in my backyard in Exeter, New Hampshire," commented Mrs. Griswold. "We knew there was money in other people's old things."

Mrs. Griswold comes to the Deaconess from her home in New Hampshire, where she lives with her husband James, who recently retired as director of development at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts. Her only time off is when she and her husband investigate cathedrals, Saxon churches, or tithe barns in England.

Mrs. Griswold is not always visible in the shop. "I prefer the back room to mark things but if I spent all my time marking things, I would never meet the people and that is what's fun."

"You have to like people to be in the thrift shop, the gift shop, or any of the volunteer services," concludes Mrs. Griswold. She sums up the feelings of all Deaconess volunteers, whether they have given 1000 hours or ten, when asked why they volunteer. "You get a sense of real satisfaction."

THE VOLUNTEERS. *TOP LEFT. Mrs. Clare Gray shares some diversional therapy with Mrs. Ann Pratt. (This photograph was taken last winter when Mrs. Pratt was hospitalized at the Deaconess for a broken leg. She has since fully recovered.) BOTTOM LEFT. Mrs. Patricia Stevenson (l.) and Mrs. Bonnie Griswold volunteer at the thrift shop. TOP RIGHT. Mrs. Mary Funk divides her time between the print room and the gift shop. BOTTOM RIGHT. Miss Regina Hurley works in the pharmacy.*

ALPHA CREDIT UNION HAS ANNUAL MEETING; ELECTS OFFICERS. *At the annual meeting of the Alpha Credit Union, held November 27 in the Joslin Auditorium, outgoing president William E. Branson reported a membership increase of 135 people to total 1635 members. Treasurer William Wambolt said that total assets for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1974 were $700,738.80. The year ended on a good note with dividends on savings accounts raised from 5½% to 6%, and an effective annual interest rate of 6.10%. The newly elected officers of the credit union are: (l. - r.) Stan Paxton, assistant controller, treasurer and director; William E. Branson, manager of patient services, out-going president; Gerald Frederickson, assistant director of the Joslin Diabetes Foundation, director; William Wambolt, associate controller, incoming president; George Carrington, supervisor of central sterile supply, director; Natalie Fossatti, secretary to Dr. Shields Warren, clerk of the Alpha Credit Union Corporation and director; Charles Schraub, manager of pharmacy and IV services, director; and Marjorie Pond, coordinator of nursing practice, vice president and director.*

NEDH Corporation holds annual meeting

On Tuesday, November 19, 1974, the annual meeting of the New England Deaconess Hospital Corporation was held at 4 p.m. in the Joslin Auditorium. The meeting, which was well attended, heard reports from key members of the corporation, administration, and medical staff and voted on changes and re-elections to the membership for the coming year as presented by the Nominating Committee.

Mr. C. Vincent Vappi, President of the Corporation, reported on the progress of the laboratory building construction and brought the members up to date on the proposal which had been studied by the Long-Range Planning Committee during the past year regarding a limited number of full time, hospital-based physicians to strengthen the hospital's position for meeting future demands. Dr. C. Burns Roehrig, President of the Medical Staff, spoke of this change in staff structure and stressed the need for cooperation and for a continued high degree of concern for our patients. The valuable work performed by the Friends of the Deaconess was reported to the membership by Mrs. Lauriston Ward, Jr., President of the Friends. Despite difficulties in procuring the numbers of new members they would like, the Friends continue to top their record in contributions of money to the hospital's needs and are recognized as a vital part of the hospital family. The NEDH Treasurer's report was presented by F. Thayer Sanderson.

Mr. Richard E. Lee, Director of the Hospital, enthusiastically reported on the past year's activities and the present high level of operation. He thanked everyone involved in making ours a "strong and healthy" hospital. Following Mr. Lee's report, Mr. R. D. Lowry, Exceutive Vice President, discussed the many changes taking place in the area of controls and legislation and the trends of the future. He particularly emphasized the changing role of hospital trustees and the increased accountability for their decisions.

The meeting of the Corporation was immediately followed by two short meetings of the Board of Trustees. The first was an organizational meeting for the purpose of re-electing the Executive Committee and the Audit and Investment Committees. The second meeting of the Trustees was a special meeting called for the purpose of authorizing the construction of the School of Nursing facility. After discussion, the authorization was unanimously given.

Re-elected to the Board of Trustees for the five-year term ending in 1979 were: John Barnard, Jr., James F. Farr, Colby Hewitt, Jr., James W. Kelley, Amelia Peabody, and Cornelius E. Sedgwick, M.D. New members named to the hospital's corporation included the Reverend Jackson Burns, District Superintendent of the United Methodist Church, Worcester-West area; Robert F. Bradley, Jr., M.D., and William A. Meissner, M.D., Past Presidents of the Medical Staff; and C. Burns Roehrig, M.D., current President of the Medical Staff. Moving to the positions of Honorary Trustees were: Vincent P. Clarke, Herbert H. Jaynes, and Frank M. McGowan.

The Officers of the Corporation, all re-elected, are as follows:

Laurens MacLure, Chairman of the Board
C. Vincent Vappi, President
James F. Farr, Vice President
Colby Hewitt, Jr., Vice President
F. Thayer Sanderson, Treasurer
James T. Mountz, Clerk

They together with John Barnard, Jr., R. D. Lowry, Albert Pratt, Marvin G. Schorr, Charles L. Smith, Jr., Humphrey H. Swift, and William B. Tyler, also re-elected, make up the Executive Committee.

What do you think?

The New England Deaconess Hospital like many large organizations (and we are now the third largest short term acute hospital in Boston!) has many "publics" to serve and to be accountable to. We try in numerous ways to keep you all informed of the things you want to know about the hospital and what is happening in the health care field.

It is not an easy task, and no one publication can please all readers 100% of the time. But, we want to try. This is your hospital and this is your publication. Will you help us to serve you better? We'd like to hear from you if you have constructive ideas for improvement. We'd like to publish the stories you want most to hear.

Naturally, we have to retain the right to final decisions on appropriateness, space, timing, and overall interest to the majority of our readers, but your ideas will help us greatly in knowing whether all segments are being covered, whether you have questions that are being left unanswered.

Please take a minute to give us your ideas in writing, addressed to **PULSE,** MOB 522 and, by the way, we'd prefer to have them signed but will accept them unsigned if the comments are constructive.

This is your paper, Help us to make it please you!

Mr. Reihle is new assistant security manager

Mr. Thomas Reihle has joined the Deaconess as the assistant security manager and will oversee the activities of the security force, revise many lock up procedures, act as a liaison with other hospital departments in providing adequate fire and safety training programs for all hospital personnel, and assist in establishing a security control center.

Originally from Long Island, Mr. Reihle was previously a security consultant for Norman Jaspan Associates, a management consulting firm in New York which specializes in the hospital security field. Prior to that, he was store supervisor for the McDonald's Corporation and operated several of their stores in Long Island.

Mr. Reihle is a graduate of the New York Institute of Technology, where he received a B.S. in mechanical engineering. He is now studying for his B.S. in business administration on an independent study program form the State University of New York. His present employment, by introducing him to the inner workings of a hospital, will help to prepare him for future plans which include graduate school for law or hospital administration.

Thomas Reihle

Mr. Reihle is not "all work and no play." He plays golf and tennis, skis, and enjoys an occasional bike ride. One of his favorite activities is cooking.

Nursing service promotes 15

Personal fulfillment and professional skill. Individual growth and team spirit. Caring as well as caring for. That is Deaconess nursing. And when a nurse displays responsibility and leadership, it is a frequent fact that promotion to a supervisory position follows. In the past few months, 15 nurses have received such promotions.

On Farr 10 Joan Luthern has been appointed head nurse and Carol Camosso, assistant head nurse. Betty Irwin is the assistant head nurse on Farr 8 and Shirley Overstreet fills that comparable position on Farr 7. Linda Murray became head nurse on Farr 9.

Upon the retirement of Mildred Currie as head nurse on Farr 11, Harriet Wilson assumed that position, transferring from Baker 5, where she was also head nurse. Carmen Bourget replaced her as head nurse on Baker 5 (Progressive Cardiac Care Unit).

Margaret Donahue is an assistant instructor, second year, in the NEDH School of Nursing. Formerly the assistant head nurse in CCU, Donna Mowen is now an instructor in staff education. Miss Mowen was replaced in CCU by Paula DePalma, who along with Marilyn Scannel, assistant head nurse in ICU B, assumed the title of head nurse.

Diane Knowles, formerly a renal nurse in the dialysis unit, has been promoted to head nurse. Also in the dialysis unit Deborah Aukstikalnis is a new staff nurse and Diane Klinec is a part-time staff nurse.

Myra MacDonald, formerly a staff nurse in I.V. Therapy, has been promoted to assistant head nurse and teaching nurse in that department.

Sights and Sounds of a

Caroling.

Students from the NEDH School of Nursing (l.) and hospital employees entertain patients and visitors by caroling through the hospital.

Cookies and Sweets.

Mrs. Glenny Jackson, R.N., head nurse on Baker 3, inspects the fudge at the candy table at the Friends of the Deaconess-School of Nursing Annual Christmas Bazaar held December 6 in the Farr lobby.

A Glee Club Sing.

The Student Nurses Glee Club, directed by John J. Markarian, Jr., blend their mellow and harmonious voices for rich renditions of Christmas songs.

Floral Wreaths.

Mrs. Lauriston Ward, Jr. (l.), president of the Friends, and Mrs. Leo Krall, Second Vice President of the Friends, arrange the Christmas greens at the Bazaar.

Presents for the Tree.

Admiring the selection of dolls and knitted items are: (l. - r.) Mrs. Marcy Eager, volunteer; Frank Palms, computer analyst; Pat Stearns, laboratory; Mrs. Thomas Allen, volunteer; and Candy Fullwood, administration.

The Friends Serve Tea.

Miss Dorothy B. Seccomb, a member of the Friends, serves tea to hospital visitors at the NEDH Annual Open House on December 15.

A Christmas Cheer.

Angelo Pascale, carpenter foreman for the Dimeo Construction Company, expresses the spirit of the season on the Clinical Laboratory/Radiation Therapy building.

Deaconess Christmas

Santa's Here!

Everett Nickerson, maintenance and engineering, introduces his daughter Sally Ann to Santa Claus at the NEDH Employee Christmas Party held December 19 in the cafeteria.

It Ends Too Soon!

Enjoying the Christmas decorations on Farr 9 are: (l. - r.) Suzanne Schulte, unit clerk; Carol Dagostino, R.N.; and Nancy Sharkey, R.N.

Christmas Tunes.

Matthew Babcock, son of Paul A. Babcock, manager of ambulatory services, makes music with the Mabel Biagini Strolling Trio at the Employee Christmas Party.

Ambulatory Rehabilitation Center . . .

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treatment service but a support service, always working with the doctor, patient, and family. When patients are referred, an evaluation is made of current function and of their needs for maintaining themselves in the community. Weekly planning conferences are held to which all members of the team are invited, including at times patients and their families. Therapy is decided in support of the doctor's method of treatment.

Following the physician's evaluation of the patient's physical status and the Center's evaluation of the patient's physical function and psycho-social behavior, the staff develops a problem list and plan for service for the patient. Service is implemented using resources convenient to the patient. The Deaconess may be used as a resource, or the patient may be referred to a more specialized facility or one nearer his home. The Center continues to evaluate the patient and his progress at periodic intervals.

The Ambulatory Rehabilitation Center is staffed by many people: Dr. John L. Rowbotham is the Medical Director; Mrs. Edith Lenneberg is the Cancer Rehabilitation Coordinator. They and Mrs. Anne McCormack, R.N.; Miss Margaret O'Connell, social worker; Miss Dorothy Parker, secretary; and a psychiatrist, Dr. Richard Lippincott, make up the core group of the Unit. Supportive staff consists of a clinic assistant, chaplain, dietary therapist, physical therapist, enterostomal therapist, dental hygienist, and respiratory therapist. Consulting specialists are called when needed.

Mr. Robert Pence, assistant director of the Deaconess, Mr. Paul Babcock, manager of ambulatory services, and Miss Constance Langone, manager of the office of grants and contracts, were administratively instrumental in organizing the Center.

Dr. White . . .

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The celebration of a half century in medicine marks Dr. White's "semi-retirement." She will still report to the Joslin Clinic once a week to work with Dr. David Holmes, head psychiatrist at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Jamaica Plain, on the emotional problems of the diabetic. She will also rewrite the book on juvenile diabetes she wrote in 1932, *Diabetes in Childhood and Adolescence.* And she may continue to lecture. Dr. Priscilla White, after 50 years in medicine, is not ready to retire yet.

Update on construction

The Trustees at their November 19 meeting, voted to enter into a contract with the Dimeo Construction Company of Providence, Rhode Island, the firm which is constructing the Clinical Laboratory/Radiation Therapy building, for construction of the School of Nursing. Work has already begun on the lot at the corner of Longwood Avenue and Riverway, with an estimated completion date of 18 months barring unforeseen delays.

When the Clinical Laboratory/Radiation Therapy building reached its full height in mid-December, the ironworkers "topped off" with the traditional fir tree. Concrete has been poured on four of the eight floors; the remaining floors will be poured in mid-January.

Glad to see you

The NEDH employee booklet GLAD TO SEE YOU is being updated. As soon as copies are available, they will be distributed to all employees so that you will have current information on pension plans and any other recent (previously announced) changes. You can expect your copy soon.

ONE WAY TO EMPLOYEES' HEARTS IS THROUGH THEIR STOMACHS *and Miss Charlotte L. Donaldson, Director of Dietetics, is doing an excellent job of providing cafeteria fare that is not only filling and nutritious but served with a flare to whet the appetite. Miss Donaldson has employed food service consultants who, under her direction, have added some innovative ideas to the cafeteria "line." One day there were submarine sandwiches sold by the inch, another day a huge and mouthwatering roast of beef sliced before the eyes of hungry employees as they filed by. Halloween brought us "Witch's Brew," and pictured is Executive Chef Romeo Tolini with one of two pies large enough to produce 125 servings each. Luncheon service has been extended from 11:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. More ideas will be coming along for faster and efficient service. You can help by giving up your chair as soon as your lunch time is over.*

Employees in action . . .

At her retirement party, Miss Kathleen McCarthy receives a gift from Dr. Merle A. Legg, pathology.

Miss McCarthy retires

After a long and interesting career in the field of cytology, Miss Kathleen McCarthy retired from the department of pathology where she has worked as a cytotechnologist and teaching supervisor of cytotechnology students for the past eight years. A party was held in her honor on November 14 in the pathology conference room.

Miss McCarthy's career started many years ago when she joined the Massachusetts Department of Public Health after graduating from Emmanuel College with an A.B. in chemistry and English. For 30 years she was involved in medical technology, research, animal cytology, and a variety of clinical laboratory studies. Most of her time was spent at Pondville Hospital in Walpole. While Dr. Shields Warren was chief consulting pathologist at Pondville Hospital, he hired Miss McCarthy. That was her introduction to the Deaconess. When Miss McCarthy wanted to narrow her field to only cytology, she chose to come to the Deaconess.

In addition to her duties as a cytotechnologist, Miss McCarthy taught students from the Boston School of Cytotechnology, which is affiliated with Northeastern University. She has been supervising the students in the laboratory since the school's beginning in 1967.

Miss McCarthy is a member of the Massachusetts Society of Medical Technology, Massachusetts Society of Cytology, and associate member of the American Cytology Society.

A lifelong resident of Boston, Miss McCarthy's retirement plans include redecorating her home, volunteer work in the community, and becoming reacquainted with the Boston Public Library.

Patricia Conway, R.N., dialysis unit, was on the program committee which organized the first annual symposium of the Boston local chapter of the American Association of Nephrology Nurses and Technicians. Entitled "A Mixed Bag — Blood, sweat, and Blue Grass," the symposium was held November 2 in Waltham.

Carol Garant, R.N., M.S.N., psychiatric nurse clinician, lectured on "Psychosocial Stressors Experienced by Patients with Myocardial Infarction" at the conference "Innovations in Clinical Practice," co-sponsored by the National Honor Society of Nursing at Boston College and Boston University, and held October 19 in Boston. She was also a participant in the class "Psychopharmacology" held at Northeastern University during October and November.

Edith V. Harmon, R.N., vice president and a member of the nominating committee of the Massachusetts Mental Health Nurses Association, participated in that organization's fall meeting held November 19 in Framingham. The meeting was entitled "Mind Control and its Application in Mental Health."

Ann Hurley, R.N., staff education instructor, was a participant in a regional conference of the Continuing Education Recognition Program sponsored by the American Nursing Association and held November 4-5 in Boston.

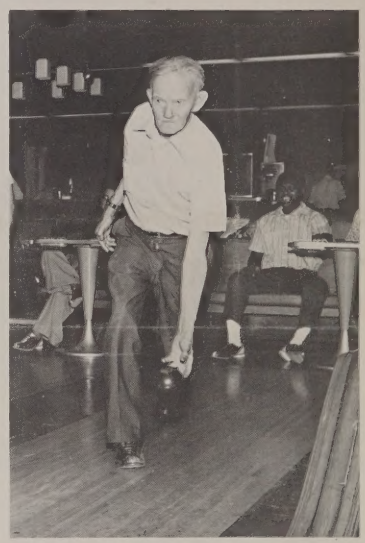
Clare Shruhan has been appointed interinstitutional educational coordinator and is responsible for coordinating the medical technology program between the New England Deaconess/New England Baptist Hospitals and Northeastern University. She had been chief medical technologist in the department of pathology. **Joanne Casella,** former assistant chief medical technologist, has been promoted to chief medical technologist.

Diane Wiffin, public relations assistant, was a member of a panel during "How to Get a Job Day," a seminar sponsored by the Boston University School of Public Communication on December 7.

Judith Yard, R.R.A., medical records, has recently passed the Registered Record Administrator examination given by the American Medical Record Association. Ms. Yard works with the medical care evaluation, nursing audit, and utilization review committees.

Bowling season nears halfway mark

As the bowling season nears the halfway mark, competition quickens between the players for the top spot in high average, high singles, and high 3-string. In Division A, Mary Trumble holds women's first place honors in all three categories. Jim Dillahunt is ahead in high average and high single. Peter Cataldo is in the lead for high 3-string. Captain Bob Simi and his teammates Mary Jane Simi, Mary Trumble, and Dave Colleran are in first place. In Division B, Captain Linda Bracken's team, composed of Roz Post, Jackie Veazy, and Mark Levin, is in the top spot. Linda Bracken and Wally Hirtle are in first place in high average, high singles, and high 3-string. In Division C, Sheila Meek is in the lead in all categories; Nelson Fox places first in high singles and high 3-string, and ties with Mike Yasner for the top position in high average. Captain Ann Glagovsky and her teammates Beryl Litner, Sheila Meek, and Janet Saunders are in first place. Thursday evenings at the Boylston Bowladrome promise to be fun-filled and action-packed as the leads face challenges from those who are number two now, but want to be number one when the bowling season ends in April.



Mike Foley, building services, aims for a strike.

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The New England Deaconess Hospital is a 482-bed and 16-building complex. Physicians from the Joslin Clinic, the Lahey Clinic, Overholt Thoracic Clinic and the independent medical and surgical staffs serve the needs of their patients at the hospital. The Deaconess is internationally known for diagnosis, treatment and research in brain and chest surgery, cancer, diabetes and general medicine.

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